

Skagit County Planning Commission

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Chair Tim Raschko Vice Chair Tammy Candler

Members Vincent Henley, Amy Hughes, Mark Knutzen, Kathy Mitchell, Martha Rose,

Joe Woodmansee

SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Public Hearing: 2021 Planning Docket

January 11, 2022 6:00 PM – 7:21 PM

Please refer to transcript and video recording of Planning Commission meeting for in-depth information about these meeting minutes. Meeting materials, the full transcript, meeting agenda, and referenced video recording of this meeting can be viewed at the Planning Commission Schedule and Agenda page:

https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/PlanningCommission/PCminutes.htm

Summary of Meeting

Roll Call

Chair Raschko began the meeting with a roll call.

Tim Raschko: Present Kathy Mitchell: Present Mark Knutzen: Present Amy Hughes: Present

Joe Woodmansee: Present Martha Rose: Present Tammy Candler: Present Vincent Henley: Present

All members of the Planning Commission were present.

Approval of Minutes (12/14/2021)

Chair Raschko introduced the meeting minutes from the last meeting (12/14/2021) for approval. A motion to approve the December 14th meeting minutes was initiated by Commissioner Henley and was seconded by Commissioner Mitchell. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Nomination and Election of Planning Commission Officers

Commissioners Kathy Michell nominated Tim Raschko for chair and Tammy Candler for vice chair. Commissioner Henley and Commissioner Woodmansee voiced support for the nominations. Commissioner Henley moves that the nominations be closed. Commissioner Mitchell seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

2021 Planning Docket Public Hearing (Video at 00:04:55)

Peter Gill with the Planning and Development Services Department gave a presentation on the annual process for the planning docket and how the public can provide comment on this year's petitions. Next, staff and Commissioners heard testimony on the public hearing. Comments included concern about the addition of restaurants to the Small Scale Business Zone as an allowed use, support for the rezone request from Nielson Brothers, and testimony from petitioners to create changes in the code for accessory dwelling units, mineral resource operation notice requirements, and zone allowances for parks in the county. The full dialog of testimony is available in the hearing transcript, linked above.

Director's Update (Video at 01:04:49)

Planning Director Hal Hart provided an update on large development projects in Skagit County and nearby communities. Director Hart also detailed the increase of building permits distributed in 2021 compared to 2020 and the number of new units developed in 2021. Director Hart then closed his comments with priorities for county governments during the new legislative session in Olympia.

Planning Commission Comments/Announcements

There were no announcements.

Adjourned at 7:21 PM

Tim Raschko, Planning Commission Chair

Hal Hart, Secretary

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